

TOWN OF WILBRAHAM

PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

2009-2010

FALL AND EARLY WINTER PROGRAMS

VISIT US AT www.wilbraham-ma.gov/rec



PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MISSION STATEMENT

To provide wholesome recreational sports and activities that will enhance the positive, social, emotional, physical, and overall development of all residents of the Town of Wilbraham. Such programs should attempt to meet the general needs of all the youth and adults of Wilbraham and should be conducted in a manner as to assure a safe, enjoyable atmosphere and learning experience.

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MONDAY - FRIDAY * 8:30AM - 4:30PM

ALL PROGRAM INFORMATION IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Please confirm program details at registration

www.wilbraham-ma.gov/rec

You can now register online for most programs using our new ActiveNet software!

The Wilbraham Parks & Recreation Department (WPRD) is working hard to be able to offer you information at your finger tips through our up-to-date website and to reduce the cost, time and other drawbacks of getting information to you via hard copy brochures. So mark our web address on your "favorites" and click in often. You may print the material you wish to reference. You will find the latest information on all our programs and events, maps and locations to various fields and gyms, registration information, updated changes and much, much more.

COME VISIT US OFTEN ON THE WEB!

We will now be sending our monthly E-Newsletter, "The Whistle" to everyone who has an ActiveNet account with us. We will no longer be sending flyers out through the schools, but will send them to our ActiveNet family.



VERY IMPORTANT INFORMATION...PLEASE NOTE !

E-NEWSLETTERS: All those who have opened an ActiveNet account with us and/or registered for a program at the office, will now be receiving our monthly E-Newsletter, *THE WHISTLE*, with lots of important information on registration dates, programs, etc. Opening an ActiveNet account is easy: visit wilbraham-ma.gov/rec, click the blue 'Register Online' button and follow the directions for opening an account. There is no cost to open an account.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

- Registration may be done for most programs online once an online account has been opened. A small on-line convenience fee is included for actual registrations only. There is no fee to open an account.
- In-office registration is held Monday - Friday from 8:30AM to 4:00PM at the WPRD office.
- Registration by mail will be accepted with proper registration forms and payment. Please don't mail a check without a registration form.
- Out-of-town registrations are welcome for indicated programs, with an additional charge.
- All programs are offered on a first-come, first-serve basis. Late registrations will be accepted based on available space.
- Any check returned for insufficient funds is subject to a \$25.00 charge.
- All dates, times, and prices are subject to change at the discretion of the Parks & Recreation Director and/or the Recreation Commission.
- Watching a good program die is painful. There is a point when, if there are not enough registrants, an activity is cancelled. Signing up late will not resurrect it! Please register during the designated registration periods.

REGISTRATION DEADLINES: Deadlines are used as a tool to determine whether there is enough interest in a program to run it.

- Late registrations will be accepted based on available space.
- **LATE FEES:** Late fees for all activities will be assessed the first day after the registration deadline in the amount of \$10.00. Late fees are not assessed to penalize, but to encourage residents to register on time so the staff has sufficient time to plan programs, order enough program supplies and meet various league requirements. Online registration for many programs is extended without a late fee through the weekend following the Friday in-office deadline. Late fees are not refundable.

REFUND/CANCELLATION POLICY: The WPRD reserves the right to cancel, postpone or combine classes, adjust costs and change coaches, location or instructors or refund policies. In the event a program is cancelled by the WPRD, you will receive a full refund.

- Generally for recreational sports programs, if you notify the WPRD prior to the registration deadline, you will receive a refund minus an assigned administrative charge.
- Each program run by the WPRD has unique constraints. Check the form for the specific refund policy on the program you are registering for at the time of registration.
- **TRIP REFUNDS:** A refund will be given (minus an assigned administrative fee) only if requested one month prior to the date of the trip. Please note exceptions on registration form.
- Please allow at least 10-15 business days for a refund check to be processed.

PROGRAM CONFIRMATION: With our online registration program, you will receive a confirmation when you have registered for a program. We will contact you only if there is a problem or change.

WAITING LISTS: All registrations are accepted on a "first come-first serve" basis. If your desired program is filled, you will be notified and placed on a waiting list. When and if an opening becomes available, we will go to the waiting list to fill the spot.

Please do not drop your child off at a program...Children must be checked in with the instructor at each class!

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COMPLIANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

The Town of Wilbraham complies with the Americans With Disabilities Act and will make special arrangements upon request. Contact the Parks & Recreation Office (596-2816) at least 24 hours in advance.



NEW POLICY! For program promotional purposes, photographs/videos may be taken of participants from time to time and put in printed material or posted on a website or other promotional media. If you do not wish to have you or your child's photo taken, please notify the WPRD in writing prior to the program start as well as notifying the photographer and/or class instructor/coach.



AMERICAN RED CROSS BABYSITTER'S TRAINING

Coed - Ages 11 and up - \$78.00 Residents/ \$88.00 Non-residents

Be the Best Babysitter on the Block!

ONLINE ONLY REGISTRATION opens for Wilb. residents September 8 @ 8:30AM/ non-residents September 9

Class will run for two Saturdays and will include babysitting, First Aid and CPR certification

October 17 AND October 24 ~ 9:00AM-4:00PM ~ Class limited to 12 (You must attend both classes to be certified)

Bring a lunch, snacks, etc. This newly revised and updated class will give each participant excellent training on how to care for infants and children. Skills such as first aid, decision making, bedtime issues, emergency action, parent's expectations, CPR training and much more will be taught in a fun and interactive format. Certificates given for those who attend the entire two day course. A popular class! Location: Wilb. Senior Center
Be sure you have an online account *prior* to trying to register online!



ACTING CLASSES WITH PERFORMING ARTS PROGRAMS

Join the dynamic team from Performing Arts for an enthusiastic acting experience!

SEVEN WEDNSDAYS: October 7 - November Dec. 2 (No class Nov. 11 or Nov. 25)

Grades K - 4: 5:05 - 6:00PM ---- Grades 5 - 8: 6:05-7:00PM

Children will be introduced to new and exciting theater games, concentration exercises, voice and speech, improvisational exercises, acting terminology, sense memory, subtext, stage skills and script work. Classes will be challenging and offer new and exciting activities for the more experienced participant as well.

A winter session will also be offered beginning early Feb. to keep skills improving!

Register beginning August 18 at www.performingartsprograms.biz or pick up a mail-in form at the WPRD.

Space is limited. Location: Wilbraham Middle School

FEE: \$95.00/ Out-of-Town \$105.00



LITTLE CHEFS after school FUN at Stony Hill Rd. School!!

GRADES 2-3 Tuesdays & GRADES 4-6 Wednesdays

SIX WEEKS, STARTS Sept. 15/16, 2:45-3:45PM

Stony Hill Rd. Students only



Did you know a child can learn math, reading and science while having fun in the kitchen? This program provides hands on cooking fun while introducing vocabulary, techniques, nutrition, kitchen safety and much more! Children will be given an apron, a recipe book and will prepare a variety of foods to be taken home to bake or cook, allowing the whole family to enjoy the wonderful aroma of baking cookies and more! Taught by an experienced chef and teacher! A very popular program!

FEE: \$78.00 Registration: Aug. 25 - Sept. 4 or until spaces fill.

Spring session is scheduled for Memorial school students ~ Watch for upcoming details!



THURSDAY AFTER SCHOOL BOWLING!

Stony Hill School, Memorial School and Soule Road School

10 WEEKS * SEPTEMBER 17 -NOVEMBER 19 * 2:45-5:00PM * GR. 2-6

A chaperoned bus will pick the kids up at school and bring them to Shaker Bowl for 1½ hours of after school fun!

3:30pm - Children arrive at Shaker Bowl

3:45pm- Children will be allowed to go to vending machines or snack bar for a snack

3:30-5pm- Children will be bowling

4:30pm- Children will be allowed to go to vending machines or snack bar for a snack

4:45pm- Video Games will be turned on

5pm- Parent Pick Up (Parents Must Sign Out Children)

Cost includes bowling, shoe rental and a pizza party at the end of the season!

COST: \$110.00 (\$20.00 due at registration, balance is paid weekly to Shaker Bowl)

REGISTRATION: Sept. 1 -11 (add a \$10.00 late fee after 9/11)

(Program does not run on school vacations and may be cancelled due to weather)



MONDAY DANCE PROGRAM

~ JAZZ ~ HIP-HOP ~ BALLET ~ TAP ~

AGES 2 THROUGH TEENS

(REGISTRATION AUGUST 18 - SEPTEMBER 4 – LATE FEES APPLY)
REGISTER ONLINE AT WWW.WILBRAHM-MA.GOV/REC OR AT THE OFFICE
PROGRAM RUNS SEPTEMBER 14 - MID- DECEMBER

DANCE CLASSES MEET ON MONDAYS ONLY
COST: \$ 65.00/ CHILD (OUT OF TOWN PLEASE ADD \$10.00)

Dance classes are taught by instructors from "The Mary Ann Studio of Dance" who have offered excellent instruction for the Wilbraham Parks & Rec. Dept. for the past 21 years.

Classes are held in the Wilbraham Middle School Auditorium.

A second session is offered Jan-May 2010.

If you would like to participate in the May Recital, there will be an additional costume fee.

Awards-(Certificate of Dance Excellence or Trophy) are presented on stage at the Recital.

Instructors: Missy & Mary Ann

- 4:00 STARLETS -Ages 4½- 7** Combines age-appropriate Hip Hop/Jazz, Tap and Ballet. Emphasis on learning basic technique and memorizing dance routines. **Tap & Ballet shoes required.**
- 4:30 TINY TOTS-Ages 2- 4** Combines Tap, Ballet, Creative Movement, and age-appropriate Jazz. **Tap & Ballet shoes required.**
- 5:00 RISING STARS-Ages 5- 8** Combines age-appropriate Hip Hop/Jazz, Tap and some Ballet. Emphasis on learning basic technique and memorizing dance routines. **Tap & Ballet shoes required.**
- 5:30 PRESCHOOL-Ages 2½ - 4** Combines Tap, Ballet, Creative Movement, and age- appropriate Jazz. **Tap & Ballet shoes required.**
- 6:00 STAR ROCKETTES-Ages 7-11** Combines age-appropriate Hip Hop/Jazz along with Fast Rhythmic Tap & Kicklines. **Tap shoes and either Ballet or Jazz shoes required.**
- 6:30 PETITE STARS-Ages 4-6** Combines age-appropriate Hip Hop/Jazz, Tap and Ballet. Emphasis on learning basic technique and memorizing dance routines. **Tap & Ballet shoes required.**
- 7:00 SHINING STAR ROCKETTES-Ages 8-12** Combines age-appropriate Hip Hop/Jazz along with Fast Rhythmic Tap & Kicklines. **Tap shoes and either Ballet or Jazz shoes required.**
- 7:30 SUPERSTARS HIP-HOP/JAZZ...Ages 11& up** Practice the basic techniques and learn dance steps to the newest and latest popular songs. **Black Jazz shoes required.**

REQUIRED SHOES ARE FOR SALE (discounts applied) at THE MARY ANN STUDIO OF DANCE
1168 Boston Rd, Springfield

www.maryannstudio.com

?? QUESTIONS- Call MaryAnn at: 596-3127

"Mary Ann Studio of Dance is our Happy Place"



UPCOMING PROGRAMS

~Mark your calendars~

1. Winter Ski Program for WMS students/ Registration: November 17 - 27 or until spaces fill
2. Spring Lacrosse Program: Registration: Boys Grades 3-8- Early January ---- Girls and Instructional- Late February
3. Spring Baseball/Softball (Non-competitive) / Grades K-8 / Registration: Late January



FIELD HOCKEY

WILBRAHAM/HAMPDEN GIRLS GRADES 3-8 ONLY

REGISTRATION ENDED JUNE 26 - CALL THE WPRD FOR SPACE UPDATE

*EARLY SEPTEMBER— LATE OCTOBER * MRHS JV FIELD HOCKEY FIELD*

PLAYERS MUST PROVIDE FIELD STICK AND REGULATION GOGGLES

Join one of our most popular fall sports!

2010 SPRING COMPETITIVE BASEBALL SOFTBALL TRYOUT DATES

Registration August 18 - 31

12-14 - September 2 (5:30 - 7:00pm), September 4 (5:30 - 7:00), Sept 5 (10:00 - 11:30am)

10-12 - September 16 (5:30 - 7:00pm), September 18 (5:30 - 7:00), September 19 (10:00 - 11:30am)

8-10 - October 7 (5:30 - 7:00), October 9 (5:30 - 7:00), October 10 (10:00 - 11:30am)

- All tryouts will be held at Western New England College Baseball Diamond and participants must register before attending .

Softball tryout dates TBD



DON'T MISS THIS BASEBALL CLINIC!

Join the super lineup of instructors! Former major leaguer Mike Trombley, Former minor leaguer Darryn Izzo and Wilbraham Coaches John Breton, Bill Wells, and John Barghout

Five Sundays: Sept. 6, 13, 20, 27, Oct. 4 ~ 5:00 - 7:00pm ~ Wilbraham Middle School ~ Grades 1- 8

\$100 residents ~ \$125 non-residents ~ Registration August 18 - 28 at the WPRD office or download registration form and mail in with fee

Checks payable to : Friends of Recreation

Register for this clinic and receive \$30.00 off Sox tickets to the Sept. 8 game @ Fenway Park!!

100% of the money raised from this clinic will help build the new baseball diamonds at Spec Pond!



FALCON VOLLEYBALL CLUB

Register: AUGUST 4 - SEPTEMBER 4 (Online or at the WPRD) ~ WMS ~ STARTS SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 12

Junior Falcons (Coed-6th, 7th & 8th grades): 9:00am to 10:30am, open to the first 40 players to sign up. One optional night per week for game play! Entire program cost: \$35 residents, \$60 non-resident.

Senior Falcons (Co-ed -High School grades): 10:30am-12:00pm, open to the first 40 players to sign up. One optional night per week for game play! Entire program cost: \$35 residents, \$60 non-resident.



BUS TRIP TO NEW YORK CITY!

Registration opens Sept. 2 online or in office!

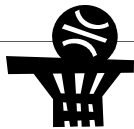
NY CITY SHOPPING - SAT. DEC 5

Join us for another holiday excursion to the "city that never sleeps". We provide the transportation, you plan your exciting day... sightseeing, museums, shows, shopping, restaurant hopping and more. Bring the family or friends or enjoy a day all to yourself.

Bus stops along 5th Ave. Departs 7:30AM from MRHS and leaves NYC at 6:00PM.

\$40.00 Residents /\$50.00 Non-Residents Per Person (We collect a \$2.00/person driver's tip on the way home)





FALL BASKETBALL PROGRAMS

WILBRAHAM RESIDENTS ONLY

YOUTH SUBURBAN BASKETBALL GRADES 5-8: MUST REGISTER (In office) PRIOR TO TRYOUTS!

REGISTRATION: SEPTEMBER 15 - SEPTEMBER 25 - LATE FEES APPLY. FEE: \$100.00- (PLUS \$50.00 UNIFORM DEPOSIT)

COMPETITIVE TRYOUT TEAMS BOYS AND GIRLS DIVISIONS: GRADES 5 & 6 AND GRADES 7 & 8

PRACTICE STARTS EARLY NOVEMBER. SEASON RUNS THROUGH MARCH.

TRYOUT DATES WILL BE AVAILABLE AT REGISTRATION AND ON OUR WEBSITE AFTER SEPT. 29

TOWN RECREATIONAL BASKETBALL: GRADES 3-8

REGISTRATION: SEPTEMBER 15 - SEPTEMBER 25 - LATE FEES APPLY

SPACE IS LIMITED, FILLED ON A FIRST COME BASIS.

BOYS AND GIRLS DIVISIONS: GRADES 3/4 FEE:\$55.00

GRADES 5/6 FEE:\$65.00 ~ GRADES 7/8 FEE: \$75.00

SEASON RUNS FROM EARLY NOVEMBER THRU MID-MARCH

YOUTH INSTRUCTIONAL BASKETBALL: GRADES K-2

SPACE IS LIMITED, FILLED ON A FIRST COME BASIS. FEE: \$40.00

• ***KINDERGARTEN: REGISTRATION: DECEMBER 1-11 - LATE FEES APPLY***

This is a non-competitive program that stresses the fundamentals of basketball in an educational and fun environment.

Players will be divided into teams.

Program begins in early January and runs through March.

Instructional practices in January during the week.

Six game schedule begins January. NO REQUESTS... Please see note below.

*Once games begin there will be one practice during the week only if space permits. One game on the weekends.

• ***GRADE ONE: REGISTRATION: DECEMBER 1-11 - LATE FEES APPLY***

This is a non-competitive program that stresses the fundamentals of basketball in an educational and fun environment.

Players will be divided into teams.

Program begins in early January and runs through March.

Practices in January during the week. Eight game schedule begins in February. Once games begin there will be one practice during the week only if space permits. One game on Saturdays. NO REQUESTS... Please see note below.

• ***GRADE TWO: REGISTRATION: DECEMBER 1-11 - LATE FEES APPLY***

This is a non-competitive program that begins to reinforce skills learned at the Kindergarten and First grade level in a more formalized game and team atmosphere. Players will be divided into teams.

Program begins in January and runs through March.

Team practices run through January. Ten game schedule begins in February.

*Once games begin there will be one practice during the week only if space permits. Games on the weekends.

NOTE: No requests for practice day, coaches or certain players will be accepted.

INTRAMURAL BOYS AND GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

THIS IS A RECREATIONAL LEAGUE. GAMES START IN LATE DECEMBER AND RUN THROUGH MID MARCH.

(GAMES ONLY, NO PRACTICES). OPEN TO WILBRAHAM/HAMPDEN HIGH SCHOOLERS

WHO ARE NOT PLAYING IN FRESHMEN, J.V.AND/OR VARSITY PROGRAMS

REGISTRATION: DECEMBER 1 - 11 LATE FEES APPLY. FEE: \$65.00 Residents/\$90 Hampden & School Choice

SPACE IS LIMITED

